

Grand Mesa, Uncompahgre, and Gunnison National Forests  
Forest Plan Revision – Feedback Form for the Working Draft of the Forest Plan – Summer 2019

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So that we may contact you if needed to better understand your feedback, please indicate your: (970)  
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Thank you for participating in the forest plan revision process, your input is important to us. You will have many additional opportunities to share your feedback, and we hope you'll stay involved throughout the process. If you need more space, please feel free to attach additional pages. Your feedback will be most helpful if received by July 29, and can be sent via: Online comment tool: [http://www.fs.usda.gov/goto/gmug/forestplan\\_comments](http://www.fs.usda.gov/goto/gmug/forestplan_comments)  
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What works in the working draft plan direction? What needs improvement? Please include specific plan component codes if possible (e.g. FW-DC-AQ-02). The loss of current open OSU terrain over Ophir Pass, Blint Pass (a.k.a. Oscars), Lewis Lake, Bridal Veil Basin, Blue Lakes, Mudd Lakes, Ingotan basin at Blark Bear Pass to Semi-Primitive Non-Motorized status needs improvement.

Is your feedback about a specific mapped part of the working draft? If so, which? Please circle all that apply:  
 Management Areas (MA)  Scenic Integrity Objectives (SIOs)  
 Recreation Settings (ROS) – Summer, Winter  Suitable Timber

Is your feedback about a specific area(s)? If so, where? (Please also draw this on the map on the back of this form).  
OPHIR PASS, Blark Bear Pass  
OPEN OSU terrain

How does the working draft categorize the area you're referring to? (e.g. MA category, ROS setting, etc.)  
Semi-Primitive Non-Motorized

If you would, how would you re-categorize the area you're referring to, and why? What other feedback do you have about future management there?  
I would re-categorize it as Semi-Primitive Motorized. The current Plan allows for open OSU terrain, ~~at this work~~ there is 2 helicopter skiing companies permitted in area, as well as several backcountry ski huts. Heavy Recreational use area.

**Note: All feedback will become part of the public record.**

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